

FURTHER CLEARANCE WORK TO START

Further clearance work will begin at Princes Parade this week.

The latest phase – mainly grass cutting and the removal of large shrubs – has been deliberately scheduled outside the key ecology calendar to help protect birds and other wildlife.

It will take up to four weeks to complete the work, which will be overseen by suitably qualified ecologists.

Woody shrubs will be chipped and removed from the site. Grass root structures will remain until later in the year.

The Princes Parade scheme is transforming a former municipal waste tip into an accessible area that can be enjoyed by all. Facilities include an enhanced leisure centre, a large public park and a vehicle-free promenade.

Replacement trees and enhanced landscaping will be introduced onto the site once construction work has been completed in early 2024.

Following a discussion by councillors, the General Fund Medium Term Capital Programme was approved on Thursday (10 February). This means the funding required to proceed with the project is available.

Visit folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/princesparade for more information about this exciting and innovative scheme.